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TO AMEMBASSY MEXICO

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT:REPORT OF PRE-IG DELIBERATIONS ON THE CASP

1. PARTICIPANTS IN THE PRE-IG REVIEW WERE IN AGREEMENT WITH THE KEY ISSUE AS STATED IN THE CASP - HOW TO MINIMIZE DAMAGE TO U.S. INTERESTS FROM THE SERIOUS ECONOMIC DISLOCATION LYING AHEAD FOR MEXICO. PARTICIPANTS ALSO AGREED TO CONSIDER UNDERTAKING A STUDY OF POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION TO EASE THE PAIN. DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON THE CASP SUGGESTION THAT THE USG CONSIDER PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT BEYOND THE MTN AND GSP SCHEME.

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2. PARTICIPANTS FROM COMMERCE, TREASURY, THE SPECIAL TRADE REPRESENTATIVES OFFICE AND ARA/ECP DISAGREED STRONGLY WITH THE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT SUGGESTION, FOR SEVERAL REASONS MOST IMPORTANTLY THAT IT WOULD CRIPPLE THE MTN AND IS CON-

TRARY TO U.S. TRADE POLICY OF OPPOSING SPECIAL PREFERENCES.  
THE PARTICIPANTS AGREED THAT ARA/MEX WOULD REDRAFT THE ISSUE  
RESOLUTION, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ONGOING MTN, U.S.  
DOMESTIC INTERESTS, AND MEXICAN SENSITIVITIES AND CAPACITY  
FOR SELF HELP (E.G. OIL PRODUCTION). WHILE A PROPOSED STUDY  
MIGHT CONSIDER A WIDE RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES, THE RECOMMEN-  
DATIONS FOR THIS STUDY, IF IT IS TO BE USEFUL, MUST FOCUS  
PRIMARILY ON THE PRACTICABLE COURSES OF ACTION GIVEN THE  
REALITY OF U.S. DOMESTIC INTERESTS AND MEXICAN

NATIONALISM.

3. THE EMBASSY IS TO BE CONGRATULATED FOR FOCUSING THIS  
TIGHTLY WRITTEN CASP ON ONE IMPORTANT AND COMPLEX ISSUE.  
WE NOW HOPE TO ADJUST THE FOCUS SO THAT THE PROPOSED  
STUDY MAY EXAMINE THE MOST PRACTICAL SOLUTION. THE DE-  
PARTMENT WILL, OF COURSE, SEND THE EMBASSY THE PRO-  
POSED REDRAFT OF THE ISSUE RESOLUTION SUGGESTION FOR  
ITS COMMENTS.

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